



BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
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VALE MORNING SITUATION REPORT FOR: 7-30-03

NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL:	5	BAKER FIRE DANGER (352420-C)	V
REGIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL:	4	MALHEUR FIRE DANGER (353616)	V
VALE PREPAREDNESS LEVEL:	3	JORDAN FIRE DANGER (353612-A)	M

BAKER RA:

Sheep Mtn Fire: 6 miles North of Brownley Dam. 14 Smoke Jumpers are on scene. 8s 48e section 6. Fire is on a 75% slope and 1 acre in size. Contained 1000 & Controlled 1800.

MALHEUR RA:

Cherry Creek Fire/Complex: M720 This fire originally consisted of 7 separate fires 3 miles East of Owyhee Dam. Two fires have burned into other fires, so now there are 5 separate fires. Cause is under investigation. 1 fire is 359 acres, 2 are 4 acres, 1 is 2 acres, and the last is 1/4 of an acre. There are 2 light and 2 heavy engines assigned, 3 type six engines, 2 employees. Fire is expected to be contained 2100.

JORDAN RA:

No new fires.

COMMENTS:

14 SRV Crews available & 1 SRV camp crew available
1 SRV Crew is on the EBC Preposition.
1 SRV Crew is on the Slick Ear Fire in Idaho.
1 SRV Crew is on the Wilkins in Idaho.
1 SRV Crew is on the Hot Creek Fire in Idaho.
Vale IHC are on the 18 Fire in Oregon.
1 (BCMG) and 1 SRV Crew are on the Hot Creek incident in Idaho.
4 employees are on the Clark Fire for the Blue Mountain Team.

WEATHER:

Vale Weather: Mostly Sunny.
Temp 99-106, Rh's 8-15%, Winds NE up to 15 mph, Haines 5 (moderate), LAL 1.

Pendleton Weather: Mostly Sunny with slight chance of showers and thunderstorms.
Temps 98-103, Rh's 10-18%, Winds W 4-8 mph, Haines 4 (low), LAL 1.

DEFINITIONS:

LAL (Lightning Activity Level): A numerical rating from the lowest of 1 to the highest of 6, keyed to the start of thunderstorms and the frequency and character of cloud-to-ground lightning forecasted or observed on a rating area during a rating period.

Haines Index: A national fire-weather index based on the stability and moisture content of the lower atmosphere and their direct relationship to the growth of large fires. The index is from 2-6 with 2 being the lowest potential for large fire growth while 6 is the highest large fire growth potential.